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Louisville Public Library Catalog Goes Mobile Access the Catalog Through Internet-capable Mobile Phones

LOUISVILLE, CO — February 12, 2010 — As a member of the Flatirons Library Consortium (FLC) with Boulder and Broomfield, the Louisville Public Library now provides access to the FLC's shared catalog through Internet-capable mobile phones, such as the iPhone, Blackberry, or other "smart" phone. Because the catalog servers are physically located in Boulder, FLC patrons will access the shared catalog at http://m.boulderlibrary.org. Once there, all users will be able to search for titles, see how many copies are available and at which locations, and reserve or renew materials—all while they're on the go.

According to Beth Barrett, director of the Louisville Public Library, "This is a natural progression of the technologies now available, and we are pleased to be able to offer this capability to our patrons. It's just another example of how libraries are evolving to meet the needs and demands of a public that still very much values library services."

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